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WINTER 2010

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HAPPY WINTER!!! ENJOY THE
SNOW AND THOSE WINTER
GAMES...



SAVE THE DATE!

**CENTRAL
STATES
CONFERENCE**

MARCH 4-6, 2010

MINNEAPOLIS

**NILA FALL
CONFERENCE**

OCT. 1 & 2, 2010

**NEBRASKA
WESLEYAN
UNIVERSITY,
LINCOLN**

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

February 13, 2010

I hope this letter finds everyone keeping warm! It has been an unusual winter with all states except Hawaii with snow on the ground. I look forward to being one day closer to spring and a few more minutes of sunlight. We hope that you look forward to and will enjoy this edition of Visions N' Views. It is our state professional newsletter that keeps us informed of upcoming conferences, professional development opportunities as well the language-specific happenings. We hope to see many of you in Minneapolis for Central States, March 4-6. Thank you to our Nebraska presenters who are taking the time to share ideas with colleagues. I always look forward to attending CSC and returning home with terrific new ideas to energize learning for second semester. Reconnecting and networking with colleagues is also a highlight.

Don't forget to save October 1 and 2 for the 2010 NILA Fall Conference which will be held at Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln. The theme for the conference is "NILA 2.0: Cruising the Cultural Highway. The keynote speaker will be Toni Theisen, 2009 ACTFL Teacher of the Year. Please consider sharing any projects or ideas that have been successful in your classroom. We invite you to submit proposals to our conference chair, Sarah Percival at Westside High School in Omaha. NILA is YOUR professional organization. The executive council is listed at the end of the newsletter and on the NILA website hosted by the Nebraska Department of Education. Please feel free to contact any of us with ideas to make our organization stronger and beneficial for you.

Marlene Knobbe, NILA President





Logan View Students Win Video Contest

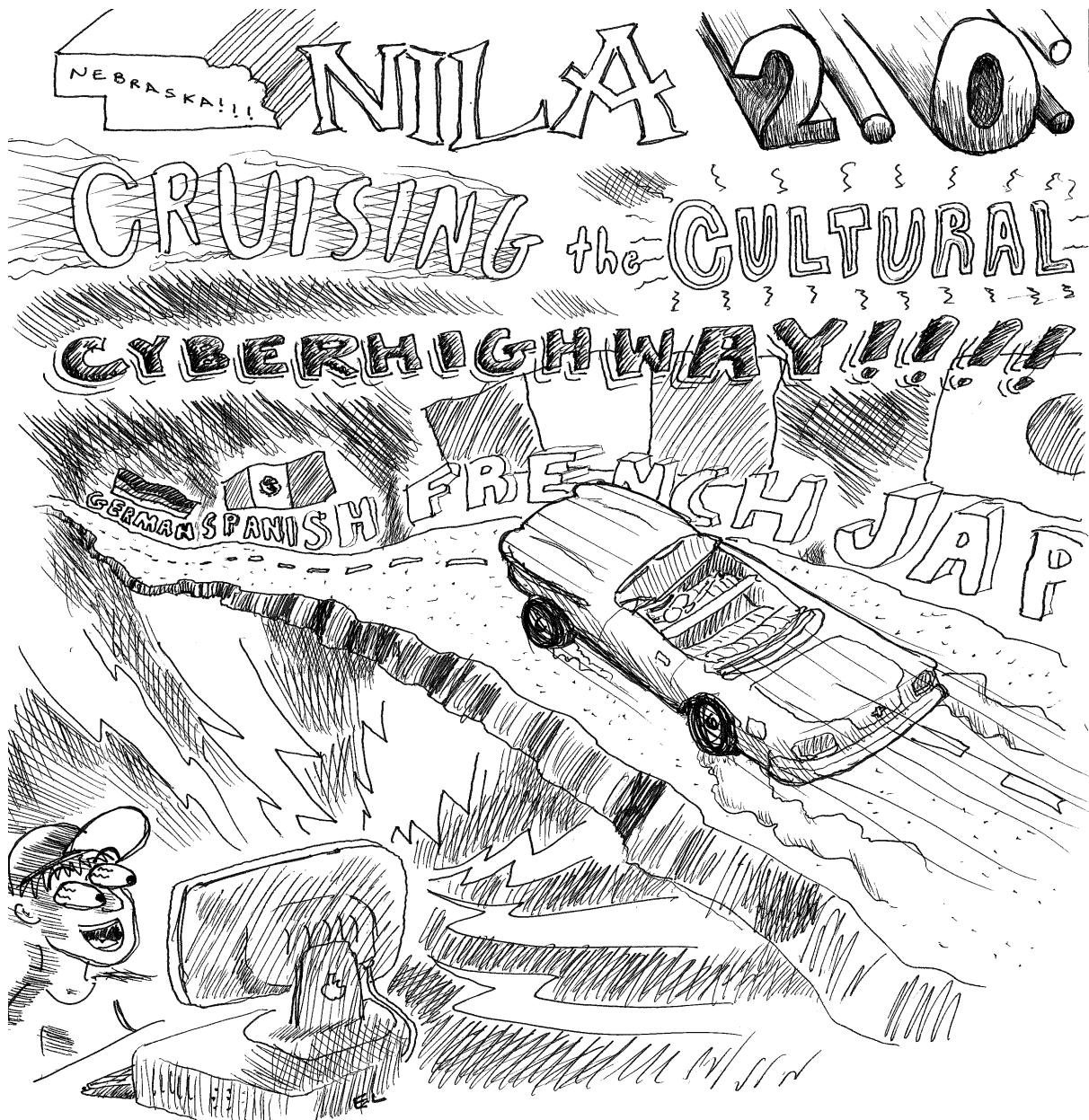
As part of their health unit last spring, Spanish II students had to make a music video using Etienne's EL CUERPO, SEÑOR from his Educorock Español CD. Entries were sent to World of Reading, Ltd. for judging, and the wait was on. Señora Stephanie Iwan Flamme received the results of the national competition and four students from Logan View won!

Austin (Agustín) Peterson, Kaleigh (Camila) Nemec, Jud (Jesús) Hoffschneider, and Blake (Bertito) Wagner walked away with the \$200 prize plus two CDs from Etienne. To see their music video just visit [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqXELW7Ajhs) and search for El Cuerpo Senor or search for <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqXELW7Ajhs> directly. "I think that this was a great experience for all of us because I know we all loved making the videos," commented Austin Peterson.

In addition the Logan View Spanish Department will receive \$300 in products from World of Reading, Ltd. "I'm so very proud of the effort the students put into their videos. I thought they were all award winners! It's great to know that others agree with me too," added Sra. Iwan Flamme. Finally Kaleigh Nemec concluded, "I was completely shocked and surprised. All that hard work really paid off!"

CONGRATULATIONS TO GENE LUEBKER, A JUNIOR FROM PALMYRA HIGH SCHOOL. HE HAS WON OUR COVER CONTEST FOR 2010.

SEE HIS WINNING DESIGN BELOW:





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INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION RESOURCES FOR CULTURES AND LANGUAGES

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